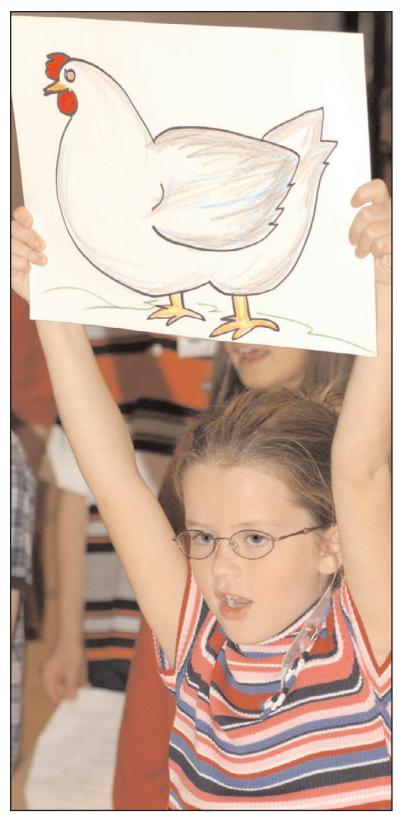
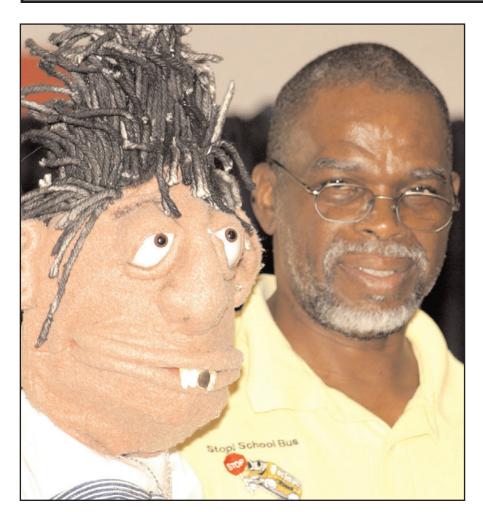


## Monroe honors Hispanic heritage

Photo above: Students of Poquoson Elementary School perform during Fort Monroe's Hispanic Bazaar, Oct. 5, at the Community Activities Center. Using the Spanish skills they've learned in class, the students read narratives about themselves and sang songs in celebration of the Hispanic Heritage. Photo far right: A Poquoson student helps with visuals during the performance. The students use songs to learn the Spanish words for basic objects and elements of grammar. Photo right: Sgt. 1st Class Bobby Worst, of the singing trio Transportation Express, belts out a tune during the observance. Specialists Ashekka Mitchell and Brandon Donerson also performed. The Hispanic Bazaar was part of Monroe's Hispanic Heritage Month Observance, which concludes Oct. 15.









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## Open house highlights YA programs, new digs

Photo left: Lawrence Atkins and his puppet "Crackhead" talk about their 4-H program that helps kids learn about issues like drug abuse, second-hand smoke and bullying. The presentation was part of the Youth Annex Open House program here Oct. 5. Atkins said he would like to start a program at Monroe. Photo above: Carlos Garcia, left, Malcom Glover, center, and Marcus Tatum have some fun at the new Youth Annex, which was built as an addition to the Community Activities Center. The annex provides space for middle and high school programs. The new facility includes computer workstations, a small television lounge and a full kitchen.